

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 5, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman Alan D. Gardner at 4:00 p.m. on April 5, 2016, in the Washington County Commission Chambers, 197 East Tabernacle St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Chairman Alan D. Gardner, Commissioner Victor Iverson, Commissioner Zachary Renstrom, County Administrator Dean Cox, Deputy County Attorney Eric Clarke, and Deputy County Clerk Nicholle M. Felshaw.

**INVOCATION BY:** Luigi Persichetti

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY:** Shari McTiver, United States Air Force Veteran

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting routine matters which come before the Commission for approval. The Consent Portion of the agenda is approved by one (1) non-debatable motion. If any Commissioner wishes to remove an item from the Consent Portion of the agenda, then that item becomes the first order of business on the Regular Agenda.

- Consideration of Auditor-Approved Claims for Payment for March 16, 2016, through April 5, 2016
- Consideration of Special Commission Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2016; and Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2016, March 1, 2016 and March 15, 2016
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Real Property (attached)
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Personal Property (attached)
- Consideration of Applications for Property Tax Abatement: Robin D Dittmer, A/N 0312317; Pearl Johnson, A/N 103922; Debra Seegmiller, A/N 488687; Phelan R Butler, A/N 0254816
- Consideration of Applications for Settlement or Deferral of Property Taxes: John F & Andradawn J Hardy, A/N 548662; Robert R & Carrie D Nuzman, A/N 515687; Patrick Busch, A/N 610702; Stephen H Smith, A/N 400427; Tom & Priscilla Edwards, A/N 67481; R Dean & Kathleen Merkley, A/N 449101; Zelfhoe Maloney, A/N 766389; Bonnie Lloyd, A/N 94097; Scott Burgess Moore, A/N 498132; William & Lauren Wood, A/N 697089; Leslie John & Cherie L Haselgruber, A/N 507759; Michael Don & Brenda Bracken Jensen, A/N 347594; Craig R & Kevin R Flowers, A/N 10937; Shadow Hills LTD/Craig Flowers, A/N 269574; Annette S Houston, A/N 68778; Jason R Anderson, A/N 787942; Phillip Jestic, A/N 292113; Mace D Jacobson TR, A/N 174048; Mace D Jacobson TR, A/N 172133; Carolyn Wunderlich, A/N 451339; Esther Lee Lemieux/Robert

DiNardo, A/N 215254; Jim & Dawn Bruce, A/N 245608; Jim & Dawn Bruce, A/N 245616; Weston H Hall, A/N 94683

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Approve the Consent Agenda as Presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

Chairman Gardner asked for a motion to modify the agenda.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Modify the Agenda to Allow Item Number Thirteen (13), Consideration of Resolution No. R-2016-2016 Appointing Jim Houghtalen as a Deputy County Constable, to be Moved to Item Number one (1). Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2016, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JIM HOUGHTALEN AS A DEPUTY COUNTY CONSTABLE**

County Administrator Dean Cox stated that an application was received from County Constable Jean Dickson requesting Jim Houghtalen to be appointed as a new Deputy County Constable. Mr. Houghtalen has all of the qualifications required by state statute as well as meeting the residency requirements for becoming a Deputy County Constable.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2016, a Resolution Appointing Jim Houghtalen as a Deputy County Constable. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.

**PRESENTATION: AUTISM AWARENESS: KIM DEVERALL & SARAH SANDERS**

Kim Deverall gave a presentation on autism awareness, stating that the month of April is being recognized as Autism Awareness Month. Ms. Deverall is a full-time mother to an autistic boy named Kai and is also in charge of a support group in Southern Utah called "Big Maks" (Moms of Autistic Kids), which is a group of moms with autistic children who rally around each other for encouragement and laughter. Ms. Deverall explained the significance of viewing autism as simply meaning "different", not "less than" and mentioned that her son was diagnosed at eighteen months (18 months) old with autism.

Ms Deverall went on to explain the difficulty and challenges with autism and the importance of not judging when others act different, due to being unaware of circumstances behind the behavior. Support for families with autistic children is much needed as the parents will be caretakers for the life of the child. Autism is not outgrown; children with autism become adults with autism.

Co-owner of Utah Behavior Services and board certified Behavior Analyst Sarah Sanders spoke in regards to the importance of early detection of autism, which leads to early intervention and treatment to improve quality of life. Ms. Sanders continued by explaining the benefits of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) treatment used with autism, stating that it is a behavioral science using evidence based procedures to systematically teach and increase skills while decreasing the occurrence of challenging behavior. The ultimate goal is to improve functioning, independence and social interaction so that an individual with autism can have more integration with their typical peers and that the life-long trajectory for that individual is improved.

In Utah, legislation was passed in 2014 that mandated the coverage of ABA treatment for children with autism, making it possible for families with Medicaid or private insurance to access treatment without the crippling private pay costs. However, companies that provide their own private health plan can opt out of the coverage. The more aware the community is, the more welcoming it will be for treatment providers and the need to fund this treatment will be recognized and realized.

**CONSIDERATION OF PROCLAMATION NO. 2016-1: PROCLAIMING APRIL, 2016 AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH IN WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Mr. Cox read aloud Proclamation No. 2016-1, proclaiming April, 2016 as Autism Awareness Month in Washington County.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Proclamation No. R-2016-1, Proclaiming April, 2016 as Autism Awareness Month in Washington County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF PROCLAMATION NO. 2016-2: PROCLAIMING APRIL 5, 2016 AS NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY IN WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Mr. Cox read aloud Proclamation No. 2016-2, proclaiming April 5, 2016 as National Service Recognition Day in Washington County.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Proclamation No. R-2016-2, Proclaiming April 5, 2016 as National Service Recognition Day in Washington County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE REQUESTS AND RATIFICATION OF PURCHASE REQUEST: MARK BLANCH**

Washington County Fair, James Cristy Cole Circus .....	(\$12,000.00)
Washington County Fair, "Wild About Monkey" show .....	(\$10,000.00)
Sports & Outdoor Rec, host fees/Pro Watercross .....	(\$20,000.00)
Sports & Outdoor Rec, Ironman video production .....	(\$12,000.00)
Sports & Outdoor Rec, Huntsman Games event funding .....	(\$50,000.00)
Commission Office, Freedom Festival .....	(\$10,000.00)
Convention & Tourism, Southern California Golf Assoc advertising .....	(\$21,000.00)
Convention & Tourism, Northern California Golf Assoc advertising .....	(\$22,000.00)
Sheriff's Office, dryer .....	(\$22,424.00)
Sheriff's Office, in-car video upgrades .....	(\$15,751.00)
Dixie Center, upgrade to Smart Building .....	(\$201,962.46)

Purchasing Agent Mark Blanch explained that the Sheriff's Office was able to save a significant amount of money on the in-car video upgrades by purchasing them prior to today's meeting, thus, that purchase request requires ratification.

*All purchases are budgeted, bonded, or paid for through grant funds.*

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Approve the Purchase Requests and Ratification of Purchase Requests as Presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1058-O, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SUBDIVISION ORDINANCES**

Washington County Community Development Director Scott Messel stated that the Planning Staff has worked with the Planning Commission, along with receiving recommendations from the Commissioners as well as Southern Utah Home Builders Association (SUHBA) in revising the Subdivision Ordinances to clarify and simplify the subdivision procedure. Some of the changes include: modification to frontage requirements on acre parcels as well as clarifying which subdivisions will require curb, gutter and sidewalk.

Commissioner Renstrom explained that subsection M “Unusual Condition” on page six (6) has been stricken from the Ordinance but would like to have subsection M reintegrated back into the final Ordinance.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Ordinance No. R-2016-1058-O, an Ordinance Amending the Washington County Subdivision Ordinances Contingent upon “Unusual Conditions” Subsection M being Reintegrated. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1062-O, AN ORDINANCE REZONING A CERTAIN PORTION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FROM OST-20 ZONE TO C-3 ZONE HEREINAFTER FULLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE**

Mr. Messel explained that Mr. Fitzpatrick has property on the Kolob Road just north of Virgin, and has requested it be rezoned to a C-3 (General Commercial) zone and went on to explain the owner’s plans for the use of the property.

The Commissioners had concern with the broad spectrum of a C-3 zone explaining that if the current owner chooses to sell the property at a later date; the new owner may have different intentions with the property. In addition, a C-3 zone is more open ended and with the property being in a floodplain, does not address any flood issues. Upon further discussion it was determined that based upon the owners current intentions for the use of the property, a Conditional Use Permit can potentially be sought rather than a zone change.

**MOTION: No Action was Taken at this Time on Ordinance No. R2016-1062-O.**

**CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. R-2016-1063-O, AN ORDINANCE REZONING A CERTAIN PORTION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FROM I-1 ZONE TO C-2 ZONE HEREINAFTER FULLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE**

Mr. Messel stated that in Castle Cliff there are two (2) parcels approximately 160 acres in size and the owner is requesting it be rezoned from I-1 (Industrial) zone to C-2 (Highway Commercial) zone. Several years ago state law required areas within any jurisdiction to be zoned to allow for sexual oriented businesses and currently an I-1 zone is designated to allow for such businesses. The current owner of the land would like to provide sleeping facilities for wilderness groups, rezoning the property to C-2.

Mr. Messel clarified that state code does not specify the amount of acreage that needs to remain in the I-1 zone, only that an area has to be set aside or means provided in which that type of zoning could be approved in a municipality or jurisdiction. Currently there is other property within the County that has the zoning designation.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Ordinance No. R-2016-1063-O, an Ordinance Rezoning a Certain Portion of Washington County from I-1 Zone to C-2 Zone Hereinafter Fully Described in this Ordinance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2011, A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT RIVER ROAD LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF ROCKVILLE IS A HISTORIC PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AND SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED AS SUCH**

Commissioner Iverson stated that from time to time the County finds themselves needing to defend public right of ways. There exists a historic right of way inside the unincorporated area of Rockville and through this Resolution the County is validating that River Road, located in Rockville Town and the unincorporated area of Washington County, as a historic public right of way.

Commissioner Gardner mentioned that the River Road public right of way has been also identified in the County's R.S. 2477 lawsuit against the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lawsuit.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2011, a Resolution Declaring that River Road Located in the Unincorporated Area of Washington County and the Town of Rockville is a Historic Public Right of Way and Should be Recognized as Such. Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2012, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED EFFORT PLAN TRUST TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SPACE FOR A PUBLIC LIBRARY IN HILDALE CITY**

Commissioner Renstrom declared a conflict of interest and recused himself from

discussion and voting on this item.

Washington County Deputy Attorney Eric Clarke stated that the Board of Equalization (BOE) met earlier today where the taxes on this property were discussed. The current purchase agreement states that the seller agrees to pay all of the current taxes, prorated up to the sale date.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2012, a Resolution Approving a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the United Effort Plan Trust to Purchase Real Property for the Purpose of Providing Space for a Public Library in Hildale City. Motion seconded by Chairman Gardner and carried by majority vote, with Commissioners Gardner and Iverson voting aye and Commissioner Renstrom not voting.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2013, A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS COLLECTED AS THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WASHINGTON COUNTY'S SHARE OF THE RECREATION, ARTS, AND PARKS SALES TAX**

Mr. Cox explained that Washington County earlier approved funding, through the RAP Tax, for art projects. The County also receives a portion of funding for recreation and parks through the RAP Tax and applications were requested from several unincorporated entities. Financing all of the projects submitted far exceeded the County's current allocation ability of approximately \$70,000 dollars. Subsequently, a list was compiled of manageable projects that stays within the County's available funds. Each year the RAP Tax is in effect, projects will be added contingent upon funding. This will allow the unincorporated areas an opportunity to make park and recreational improvements over the course of several years.

Mr. Cox then explained the proposed 2016 Washington County Recreation Arts & Parks Recommendation list in detail reviewing the funding each entity would receive along with the designated project. (The list is attached to these minutes.)

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2013, a Resolution Appropriating Expenditures of Funds Collected as the Unincorporated Area of Washington County's Share of the Recreation, Arts, and Parks Sales Tax. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

Chairman Gardner adjourned the County Commission meeting at 5:04 p.m.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Open the Municipal Building Authority Meeting of Washington County, Utah. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2014, A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUTHORITY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2016A AND \$995,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2016B; AND RELATED MATTERS**

Bruce Williams from Zions Bank Public Finance explained that Hurricane Valley Fire Special Service District (SSD) has requested funds from the Community Impact Board (CIB) for a new fire station and a new fire truck. Through this Resolution, the Municipal Building Authority Board (MBA) would be approving the issuance of the Bond Series 2016A for the fire station and the Bond Series 2016B for the fire truck.

Mr. Williams further explained that when the County Commission meeting reconvenes and through the approval of the following Resolution the County would be leasing the fire station and apparatus from the MBA and then sub-leasing them to the Hurricane Valley Fire SSD, which will pay the debt. This allows the Hurricane Valley Fire SSD to issue this debt and have the CIB as the lender, thus, payments would come from the Hurricane Valley Fire SSD to the County and then to the CIB for repayment of the bonds.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2014, a Resolution of the Municipal Building Authority of Washington County, Utah; Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Not More than \$1,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2016A and \$995,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2016B; and Related Matters. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

Chairman Gardner adjourned the Municipal Building Authority meeting at 5:08 p.m.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Reconvene the County Commission Meeting of Washington County, Utah. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2015, A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH;**



**AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN ANNUALLY RENEWABLE MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT, BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AUTHORITY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH (THE "AUTHORITY"); AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE BY THE AUTHORITY OF ITS LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2016A, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 (THE "SERIES 2016A BONDS") AND ITS LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2016B, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$995,000 (THE "SERIES 2016B BONDS"); AND RELATED MATTERS**

See prior resolution for explanation.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2015, a Resolution of the County Commission of Washington County, Utah; Authorizing and Approving the Execution of an Annually Renewable Master Lease Agreement, by and between the County and the Municipal Building Authority of Washington County, Utah (the "Authority"); Authorizing the Issuance and Sale by the Authority of its Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2016A, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of not to Exceed \$1,000,000 (the "Series 2016A Bonds") and its Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2016B, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of not to Exceed \$995,000 (the "Series 2016B Bonds"); and Related Matters. Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2016, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JIM HOUGHTALEN AS A DEPUTY COUNTY CONSTABLE**

See item number one (1) on the Regular Agenda

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2017, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT AND QUITCLAIM DEED TRANSFERRING REAL PROPERTY FROM THE SHIRL R. GRAFF AND EMIL J. GRAFF REVOCABLE TRUST TO WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Administrator Robert Sandberg stated that this property is on the west end of Center Street in LaVerkin City and should have been transferred when E.J. Graff initially sold the property to a subsequent buyer. Since then, it has gone through several buyers and Washington County now has ownership of the property, now known as Confluence Park. Through the transfers, there was a portion of property discovered without any known owners. Research from the Recorder's Office determined

that more than likely an error in the legal description occurred when it was initially sold and said property should have been combined with the original sale. The last known owner was the late E.J. Graff. The trustees of the Shirl R. Graff and Emil J. Graff Revocable Trust was contacted and concurred with the findings of the Recorder's Office. This Resolution and Quitclaim Deed will transfer that small portion of property from the Shirl R. Graff and Emil J. Graff Revocable Trust to Washington County.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2017, a Resolution Approving an Agreement and Quitclaim Deed Transferring Real Property from the Shirl R. Graff and Emil J. Graff Revocable Trust to Washington County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2018, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CHILDREN'S JUSTICE CENTER**

Commissioner Renstrom stated that the Friends of the Washington County Children's Justice Center contributes a significant amount towards the facility and expressed his appreciation for the Friends as well as the help so willingly offered by the community.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2018, a Resolution Approving a Lease Agreement with the Friends of the Washington County Children's Justice Center. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2019, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE REGARDING COORDINATION ON THE U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANNING**

Mr. Clarke stated that some time ago the City of St. George was told by the BLM that they were not permitted to be a cooperating agency in the current BLM planning processes. The BLM has since changed their stance but to ensure that the Resource Management Plan (RMP) continues to move forward at a pace that allows the BLM to complete the RMP by a court imposed deadline, and to ensure that the City of St. George has access to all documents and the ability to provide input through the final stages; a proposed agreement was drafted, formalizing the relationship between the County and the City wherein: the County will rely on the City for expertise that the City will provide;

the City will be able to review documents, provide input and attend meetings with the County as experts; and allow the City to have the participation it desires.

Mr. Clarke finished by stating that the anticipation for the future is that the City of St. George will be seeking and obtaining cooperating agency status for the Travel Management Plan with the BLM so that they can be an official partner in that process. The County has had a cooperating agency status and has been partners for several years.

Commissioner Gardner commented that the BLM was directed by the Land Bill to include the City of St. George. Mr. Clarke clarified that typically cities do not have BLM land inside city jurisdictions—but St. George has BLM managed land inside its city limits. Under the BLM handbook, it states that if the municipal boundary includes BLM land than that city has the right to be a cooperating agency.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2019, a Resolution Approving an Interlocal cooperation Agreement between Washington County and the City of St. George Regarding Coordination on the U.S. Bureau of Land Management Resource Management Planning. Motion seconded by Commissioner Renstrom and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-2020, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A JOB CLASSIFICATION & COMPENSATION STUDY BY PERSONNEL SYSTEMS & SERVICES, INC.**

Human Resource Director Johnathan Liddle stated that this proposal for a job classification study is in relation to our compensation restructuring strategy. Mike Swallow with Personal Systems and Services, Inc. has had a long standing working relationship with the County as well as many other municipalities within Utah, Colorado and Arizona. The services described in this proposal will enhance and streamline the restructuring process.

Mr. Liddle concluded by mentioning that upon approval of this proposal, a survey will be sent to all County Employees to initiate the process.

Commissioner Renstrom stated that the County has a duty to be cognizant of taxpayer dollars but also has a duty to County employees and this will be a good way to ensure that the County is reaching that balance.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Renstrom to Adopt Resolution No. R-2016-2020, a Resolution Approving a Job Classification & Compensation Study by Personnel systems & Services, Inc. Motion seconded by**

**Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Gardner, Iverson and Renstrom voting aye.**

### **COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioner Iverson explained that Lieutenant Governor Spencer Cox will be here on May 17, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, at which time the Lt. Governor will explain the Intergenerational Poverty Initiative for the State of Utah. Surprisingly, in Washington County forty-five percent (45%) of our children between the ages of zero (0) and seventeen (17) are at risk of remaining in poverty as adults and are currently receiving and have received public assistance for at least a year.

Commissioner Gardner and Commissioner Renstrom traveled to Colorado on March 30, 2016 to meet with the Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Office on the permit renewal for the HCP. The meetings were positive and the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) will be visiting the County in September.

Commissioner Renstrom stated that while in Colorado Springs he also visited the water project that was newly completed. It was explained to Commissioner Renstrom how essential the project was to the community and was very enlightening and educational to see the mistakes that were made as well as the successes they had.

### **PUBLIC WORKS OR ROAD BUSINESS**

No items were presented today as Public Works Director Ron Whitehead had to leave to attend another meeting.

### **COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING BUSINESS**

Mr. Messel explained that the Land Use Staff meeting was held earlier and several Conditional Use Permits were reviewed that included a request for a zone change of 14 acres located northeast of Diamond Valley on Topaz Road. This proposed change will be reviewed at the next Planning Commission meeting.

Another item discussed was an amended plat for Winchester Hills on the north end. The original subdivision had a parcel for a potential water tank; however, nothing came of the water tank and since then the lot has been acquired by an adjacent homeowner and this homeowner would like to combine it into one parcel.

### **HCP BUSINESS**

Mr. Sandberg stated that he also attended the meeting with the FWS in Colorado and discussed the success of the meeting and how informative it was.

Mr. Sandberg stated that the BLM accepted the Environmental Assessment (EA) on the Long Valley Land Exchange and this has been posted for public comment through May 5, 2016. Any necessary modifications will be made after the public comment period is over. If the BLM then makes a decision to move forward the BLM will write and publish the decision at which point a cultural mitigation plan will be implemented. Mr. Sandberg explained how these steps are necessary in attempting to acquire a portion of the in-holdings within the Reserve.

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

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NICHOLLE M. FELSHAW  
DEPUTY CLERK

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ALAN D. GARDNER  
CHAIRMAN